

We Claim:

1. A communications earpiece adapted for wearing on an ear of a user; comprising:
5 an ear hook for looping generally over the top of the ear;
an ear bud for placing generally within the ear; and
a flexible connector for connecting the ear bud to the ear hook.
2. The communications earpiece of claim 1, wherein:
10 the ear hook contains a microphone.
3. The communications earpiece of claim 1, wherein:
the ear bud contains a speaker.
4. The communications earpiece of claim 1, wherein:
the flexible connector is an electrical cable for electrically connecting the ear bud
to the ear hook.
5. The communications earpiece of claim 1, and further including:
20 a connector cable for electrically connecting the communications earpiece to a
personal communications device.
6. The communications earpiece of claim 5, wherein:
the personal communications device is a telephone.
7. The communications earpiece of claim 5, wherein:
the personal communications device is a cellular telephone.
8. The communications earpiece of claim 5, and further including:
30 a connector located at the distal end of the connector cable adapted for
connection to the personal communications device.

9. The communications earpiece of claim 1, wherein:
the communications earpiece is a wireless device.

10. The communications earpiece of claim 1, wherein:
the communications earpiece is adapted for bidirectional communication with a
transmitter/receiver.

11. The communications earpiece of claim 10, wherein:
the communications earpiece communicates with a transmitter/receiver via radio
frequency signals.

12. The communications earpiece of claim 10, wherein:
the transmitter/receiver is adapted for connection to a personal communications
device.

13. The communications earpiece of claim 12, wherein:
the personal communications device is a telephone.

14. The communications earpiece of claim 10, and further including:
a connector affixed to the transmitter/receiver whereby the transmitter/receiver can
be electrically connected to a personal communications device.

15. The communications earpiece of claim 14, wherein:
the personal communications device is a telephone.

16. The communications earpiece of claim 1, wherein:
the earpiece is a non-occluding device such that an ear canal is not completely
blocked thereby.

17. The communications earpiece of claim 1, wherein:
the ear bud includes a plurality of grooves for allowing sound within an ear canal to
at least partially escape therethrough.

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18. A communications headset device, comprising:
an ear hook for holding the headset device over the top of an ear;
an ear bud for placing near and ear canal of the ear and further for producing
sound; and
10 a flexible connector for electrically and mechanically affixing said ear bud to said
ear hook.

19. The communications headset of claim 18, and further including:
connection means for connecting the communications headset to a
communications device.

20. The communications headset of claim 19, wherein:
the communications device is a telephone.

21. The communications headset of claim 19, wherein:
the connection means is a connecting cable.

22. The communications headset of claim 21, wherein:
the connecting cable is affixed to said ear hook at a proximal end thereof.

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23. The communications headset of claim 21, wherein:
the connecting cable has a connector at the distal end thereof.

24. The communications headset of claim 19, wherein:
30 the connection means includes a transmitter/receiver adapted for electrical
connection to the communications device.

25. The communications headset of claim 18, wherein:
- at least a portion of said ear hook is adapted for placing behind an ear; and
 - at least a second portion of said ear hook is adapted for placing in front of the ear.